

## **Alison Sinead Evans**

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### **PROFILE**

Johns Hopkins University SAIS MA International Relations & Economics; University of Oxford BA in Japanese and Korean Studies. Past 5 years worked in Japan, Korea, Switzerland, Belgium, UK, USA: extensive public-sector experience and internships at Asian multinationals – swiftly adapted and contributed to organisations' goals. Excellent writing and communication skills. Strong self-starter and keen team-player.

### **EDUCATION**

**Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS)** **Washington, DC**  
**Master of Arts, International Relations & Economics** **May 2013**

- Cumulative GPA: 3.73 (final semester 3.83)
- Concentration: Korean Studies (recipient: U.S.-Korea Institute Fellowship)
- Teacher's Assistant for: International Trade Theory, Behavioural Economics, English Writing Centre

**University of Oxford** **Oxford, England**  
**Bachelor of Arts (Honours), Japanese and Korean Studies** **June 2009**

- First Class Honours' Degree with a Distinction in Spoken Japanese
- Scholarships: Gibbs Prize in Oriental Studies; Japanese Ministry of Education Scholarship (2007-2008)

### **EXPERIENCE**

**Korean Air, Cargo Marketing Department** **Seoul, Republic of Korea**  
**Intern** **May-July 2012**

- Learnt about logistics and air freight industries, Korean corporate culture
- Conducted in-depth independent market research including benchmarking, analysis of trade statistics - writing and presenting a comprehensive report in Korean to director-level management
- Result: initiated expansion of a major cargo product with low market-share and adoption of growth strategy (freight type and region) according to my recommendations

**Mitsui & Co. Benelux** **Brussels, Belgium**  
**Research Assistant** **March-May 2011**

- Learnt about CSR, Japanese trading-conglomerate business model, multi-lingual research
- Conducted comprehensive research on EU green buildings regulations; identified new business partners
- Result: initiated green renovation of offices (to cut costs and as an example of products to expand business)

**European Commission, Taxation and Customs Union Directorate-General** **Brussels, Belgium**  
**Trainee, Asia Sector, International Coordination Unit** **October 2010 – February 2011**

- Learnt about EU institutions; within first 2 weeks presented team's position on international negotiations at commission-wide meeting; prepared various internal documents contributing to policy decision-making

**Kyotanabe City Hall** **Kyoto, Japan**  
**Coordinator for International Relations (CIR)** **August 2009 - July 2010**

- Established the city's international awareness campaign as the first CIR in Kyotanabe (another was contracted as my successor) – initiated and led multiple cultural events with 5-30 participants
- Adapted and successfully contributed to Japanese-language-only office culture and rigid hierarchy

**Foreign and Commonwealth Office** **London, England**  
**Undergraduate Intern, Protocol Directorate** **July-August 2007**

- Shadowed a civil servant in each department; helped prepare a climate-change conference for diplomatic VIPs

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

**Languages:** English (native); Japanese, German (fluent); Korean (advanced); French, Dutch (elementary)

**Technical Skills:** MS Excel, MS Word, MS PowerPoint (advanced); financial statement analysis

**\*UK citizen, authorised to work in the United States.\***